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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Claims 1-15 have been allowed in this case. In discussing the allowable subject matter of these claims, the Examiner has indicated that the prior art fails to teach some of the features recited in claims 1 and 7. To the extent that these comments regarding allowable subject matter agree with the language of the individual allowed claims, the applicants agree with the Examiner.

The applicants would like to note that it is a well known tenet of patent law that patent claims are read as a whole, rather than phrase by phrase or element by element. Therefore, the scope of the allowed claims is not necessarily limited to only the claim features that the Examiner highlighted, but rather, to the language of the claims themselves, in their entirety.

Finally, the applicants note that there are several independent claims allowed in this case, as well as various dependent claims that depend directly or indirectly from the allowed independent claims. Each of these allowed claims includes particular features and particular claim language, and therefore each has a scope different from the others allowed in this case.

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